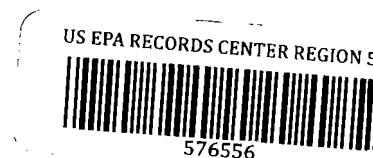


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**Re: Monthly Progress Report for April 2019  
Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study  
Lake Calumet Cluster Site, Operable Unit 2, Chicago, Illinois**

Dear Ms. Kolak:

The Respondents submit this monthly progress report to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region 5, pursuant to Paragraph 46 of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent (AOC) and attached Statement of Work for the Operable Unit 2 (OU2) Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) at the Lake Calumet Cluster Site in Chicago, Illinois (the Site). This progress report summarizes efforts by the Respondents to fulfill the requirements of the AOC during the April 2019 reporting period.

## **1. Activities Completed During This Reporting Period**

- A. On April 8, 2019, the Respondents received USEPA comments on the *Surface Water Sampling Work Plan, Indian Ridge Marsh* that was prepared by Arcadis U.S., Inc. (Arcadis) and submitted on August 31, 2018.
- B. On April 11, 2109, the Respondents received USEPA comments on the *Review and Assessment of Geologic Data on the Clay Confining Layer and Other Relevant Information at the Lake Calumet Cluster Site in Chicago, Illinois* that was prepared by Arcadis and submitted on October 31, 2018
- C. On April 13, 2019, the Respondents submitted the March 2019 monthly progress report to USEPA with copies to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA).

**2. Results of Sampling and Tests and Other Data**

- A. The Respondents submitted no sampling results or other test data during the April 2019 reporting period.

**3. Work Plans, Procedures, and Deliverables**

- A. The Respondents submitted no work plans, procedures, or deliverables during the April 2019 reporting period.

**4. Actions Projected for the Next Reporting Period**

- A. The Respondents will evaluate and respond to USEPA comments on the work plan for surface water sampling in Indian Ridge Marsh and on the technical memorandum compiling geologic and other information on the silty clay confining unit at the Site.

**5. Progress and Schedule Report**

- A. On behalf of the Respondents, Arcadis has completed the RI Site characterization studies as defined in the RI/FS Work Plan, as well as ancillary Site investigation activities (*e.g.*, seep inspection, light non-aqueous phase liquid sampling).
- B. The schedule date for completing the RI was extended to accommodate four rounds of quarterly groundwater sampling rather than the one round envisioned in the schedule submitted with the RI/FS Work Plan.
- C. Pending an agreement on next steps, the Respondents will work with USEPA to update the schedule for completing the RI and risk assessments.

We trust this submittal satisfies your requirements at this time. If you have questions regarding this progress report or related project matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,



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